

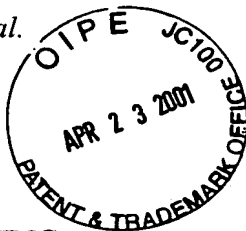
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: A. ABERG *et al.*

Application No.: 09/447,218

Filed: November 23, 1999

For: METHODS FOR TREATING  
URTICARIA USING  
DESCARBOETHOXYLORATADINE



Group Art Unit: 1623

Examiner: L. Crane

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 22, 2000, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks for entry into the record and consideration by the Examiner. Applicants submit herewith: (a) a copy of the marked up amendments to the claims (Exhibit A); (b) a clean copy of the claims that will be pending upon entry of the present amendments (Exhibit B); (c) a Petition for Extension of Time, with provision for the required fee; and (d) a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO 1449 with copies of references referred to herein, including other references uncovered from a search conducted to rebut the Examiner's rejections.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace pending claims 35 and 37 as follows:

35. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 34, which further comprises reducing or avoiding adverse effects associated with non-sedating antihistamines.

37. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 34, which further comprises avoiding an interaction between descarboethoxyloratadine (DCL) and a drug that inhibits cytochrome P450.